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PATENT APPLICATION  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: David S. Litman, et al.  
Serial No.: 09/589,037  
Filed: June 6, 2000  
Title: *SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CONDUCTING TRANSACTIONS  
INVOLVING GENERICALLY IDENTIFIED ITEMS*

Assistant Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Applicants respectfully request, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the reference listed on the attached PTO-1449 form be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified patent application. A copy of this reference is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner. No representation is made that a search has been made, that this reference is material to the patentability of the present application, or that this reference qualifies as prior art.

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims of this application are patentably distinguishable from this reference.

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Applicants believe that this Information Disclosure Statement has been filed before the mailing date of the first Office Action in this case. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), Applicants believe that no fee is due. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Kevin J. Meek', with a stylized, cursive flourish at the end.

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